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Letters made easier . . .

Doctor left Pender on personal grounds

PENDER HARBOUR has no doctor because it is difficult to get a replacement after a full-blown row is stirred up and word becomes known, it was stated at St. Mary's hospital society annual general meeting. Dr. Swan stated Dr. Morris had left because he was the target of correspondence with copies to the Minister of Health.

Dr. Morris was phoned and he told Times reporter he had left Pender Harbour for personal reasons, but the letters made it easier for him to leave.

The problem appears to have started back in the spring of 1962, when the Pender Harbour Hospital Committee was formed to "do everything legally possible to retain St. Mary's hospital in operation." A letter from Canon Greene, dated May 18, 1962, asked this committee to lay aside all controversy and by resolution of the Society's members declare their whole hearted support of the (hospital) plebiscite on May 25. He pointed out to the Committee the difficulties for Pender Harbour residents created by the new hospital at Sechelt could be overcome. He said, "I am prepared to accept the promise of the doctors that they will maintain a clinical centre at Pender Harbour and we should be grateful that such a service will be maintained."

NO DOCTORS

In July of 1962, Pender Harbour was without a resident doctor, so the Committee wrote to the B.C. College of Physicians and Surgeons expressing dissatisfaction with the medical care provided at present in the Pender Harbour area, and required assistance in seeking the services of an independent doctor.

E. J. Paetkau, M.D. of the Medical clinic wrote to the Committee expressing surprise at the dissatisfaction. "We do not wish to prolong the dissatisfaction any longer than necessary," he said, therefore, he offered the Clinic's assistance in the Committee's search for a doctor and said all desired records would be turned over to him and the Clinic would be happy to relinquish the leases held on both the office and home.

The Committee thanked Dr. Paetkau for his letter and said they "would like to re-establish the type of medical care to which this area was accustomed before the Sechelt Medical clinic was imposed upon it."

Copies of all letters were sent by the Committee to the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

NO PERMANENT INSTALLATION

On Feb. 13, 1963, after Dr. H. V. Morris had become a member of the Medical clinic, a letter from Dr. Paetkau to the Committee asked when their doctors would be available and stated, "knowing of your clearly stated preference for your own doctors, we have not included a permanent installation in the Harbour in

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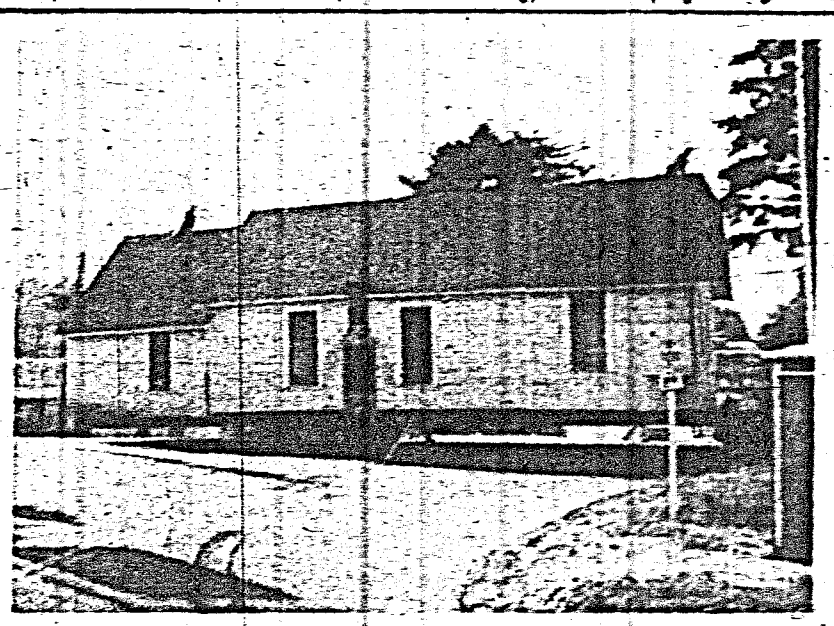

New location

EN-ROUTE to it's new location, the old Gibsons United Church is to be put to use as a Baptist church at the new site.

Historic landmark at new location

GIBSONS old United Church, an historic landmark, was moved to its new location. The corner, which contains the graves of oldtimers, will be converted by Gibsons municipality into a park. A cairn will be erected to commemorate the memory of the oldtimers. The sharp corner has been sold to the Department of Highways.

The church is being moved to Jim Marshall's property where it will be in use as a Baptist church.

Orders to raise sunken oil barge

ORDERS to raise the oil barge which recently sank off Paisley Island, have gone out to the federal department of public works.

The 200,000 gallon barge has been the subject of bitter comment since it sank after striking what is believed to have been a dead-head. The heavy residual oil has caused the death of numerous sea birds, ruined fish nets, dissolved synthetic towline materials and in general has proved a source of nuisance through seepage, despite the fact $1,000 daily has been spent in attempts to seal it off.

A lift of 200 tons will be required to raise the barge which rests in 200 feet of water. This method presents problems in that the oil contents are too viscous at low temperatures. Burial of the barge is impossible due to the rocky nature of the sea bottom at that point.

A further problem is the possibility of the vessel breaking up before reaching the surface.

Fall Fair date set at Gibsons

AUGUST 21 and 22 are the dates set for the Gibsons fall fair, it was definitely agreed upon at the last committee meeting. The committee has had a very enthusiastic response from the eight organizations which have volunteered help, but more organizations will be invited to participate. The next meeting will be May 7th in the Anglican church hall at 8 p.m.

Mr. Malyea who has headed former fall fairs will be asked to assist the committee.

$50 fine, costs, and suspension

HUBERT Arnold Joe was fined $50 and costs and had his driver's license suspended for six months when he was tried before Magistrate Johnston for driving at 70 m.p.h. on the Porpoise Bay road.

Christopher Julian and Cameron Billie both of Sechelt were remanded until April 25th on a charge of breaking and entering.

At Sechelt . . .

Building permit for liquor store

BUILDING PERMIT for new liquor store was issued by Sechelt municipal council at its latest meeting. The building 40 by 100 feet will cost $16,000. Other permits issued were to V. Richter to move a small house and make an addition at a total cost of $5,000 and to J. S. Gibson to add a utility room costing $300.

Council will write to the Department of Lands to enquire if lot 1472, group 1, N.W.D. can be acquired by the village for recreation purposes.

Department of Highways will be contacted for assistance and advice on the 4-500 feet of open drainage ditch which runs through the village. Sanitary inspector Barry MacDonald submitted a report recommending installation of 18-24 inch perforated steel pipe laid in drainage rock as a temporary measure. His report indicated the open ditch is foul smelling with water backed up due to poor drainage, seepage of effluence from disposal fields, plugged culvert and blocked flood gate. The result is algae growth and putrefaction. MacDonald's letter said a sewage system is need but this drainage rock and flue system was working satisfactorily in Gibsons and Squamish.

WILL LEASE FLOAT

The seaplane float will be taken over on a three-year leas basis from the Department of Public Works if the Department will replace the float. Only minor repairs will be village responsibilities.

Request for $250 from the library board was again brought before council. Provisional budget provides $500 for the recreation commission. It was decided commissioner S. Dawe could turn over $250 of this amount to the library. Commission chairman Mrs. C. Johnston said any further May Day needs could be taken out of the annual budget. She thought Dawe had made a mistake since he asked for $700 and took only $400. Dawe was not present at the meeting.

Commissioner H. B. Gordon enquired when the last financial report from the Recreation Commission had been turned in to council. Village clerk T. Raynor advised the by-law required an annual statement be turned in but none had been submitted for 1963.

A complete report on finances and membership from the library board was requested. Mrs. Johnston felt Gordon as library representative for the commission should have enquired about these things. Gordon replied he had never been advised of any meetings and only a meeting would be able to get this information.

McQuarrie, Hogarth and Nordman were recommended by the U.B.C.M. as barristers well qualified to handle municipal affairs. Council will contact them regarding a retainer.

An offer by T. Lamb for written permission to clean up

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Roberts Creek community ass'n . . .

District municipality plans investigated

ROBERTS CREEK Community association will investigate the feasibility of forming a district municipality, it was decided at their regular monthly meeting following discussion of a letter from the Minister of Highways concerning their roads, in which he promised to do his best but made no definate committments.

The Minister said, "I wish to acknowledge your letter of March 15 concerning the roads in the Roberts Creek area.

The Lower Road, about four miles long, is paved for a distance of 1.6 miles. We hope to do some futher paving on this section at a later date, but I am not able to make any committment about this. In any event, we will do our best.

"On Joe Road, Beach Ave., and Flume Road we have no paving in our current program, but we will do our best to maitain them as best we can within the limits of the funds available, and bearing in mind the needs of the district as a whole."

The department of Highways road foreman will be requested to oil the roads as the dust is becoming unbearable.

The hall committee reported new regulations for lighting in unorganized territory are being instituted. They also reported much activity with Players Club, Bingo and meetings renting the hall.

Miss Harrold is doing a won-

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$113,933 grant to new hospital

MINISTER of Health and Welfare, the Honourable Judy LaMarsh announced this week she has approved a contribution of $113,933 under the terms of the National Health Grants, to help finance construction of the new Sunshine Coast Hospital and residence at Sechelt.

Miss LaMarsh says the hospital will serve an estimated population of approximately 10,710 people. It will contain 35 active treatment, 2 recovery, 2 labour and 2 observation beds, as well as a 10-basinet nursery. Accommodation will be provided for 28 nurses and supporting treatment facilities.

Information from provincial sources reveal the target for completion as July, 1964.

Favors plan 1 . . .

Five alternate plans presented by Potter

AT LAST school board meeting, W. S. Potter presented to the board, five alternate plans for expansion of secondary school facilities to accomodate the projected enrollment of 550 expected by September, 1966.

PLAN 1.

Build a vocational wing on the east end of the present buildings. This wing would contain woodwork shop, combined power mechanics and metal shop, drafting room, a foods lab and a clothing lab, typing room and a business machines room possibly combined with one classroom for senior commerce classes. The present spaee would be utilized as follows: The present typing room would become the library, present library, sewing room and foods room would become regular classrooms, present drafting room would become an occupational classroom as would the present combined shop. The present occupational classroom would become a regular classroom,

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DEATHS

DUNLOP—Passed away April 16, 1964, Sandy Dunlop of Beach Ave., Roberts Creek. Survived by two brothers, Archie, Vancouver; Robert, Scotland; two sisters, Miss Margaret Dunlop, Vancouver and Mrs. Smith, Orillia, Ontario. Funeral service was held Saturday, April 18 at 1 p.m. from the Harvey Funeral Home, Rev. Denis F. Harris officiated. Cremation. Harvey Funeral Home, directors. 9711-19

JOHNSON—Passed away April 15, 1964, Jonas Efraim Johnson of Gibsons, BC. Survived by his loving wife Annie, one stepson, one stepdaughter, one sister in Sweden. Funeral service was held Saturday, April 18 from the Harvey Funeral Home. Rev. M. Cameron officiated. Interment Seaview Cemetery. Harvey Funeral Home, directors. 9712-19

SLADEY—Passed away April 18, 1964. Peter Alexander Sladey of Egmont, BC. Survived by his loving wife, Enny, one son Olli Peter, Madeira Park, BC; one stepson Vic, Vancouver; one stepdaughter Mrs. Ann Varila, Vancouver, six brothers five in Finland, one in New York. Five grandchildren. Funeral service Wednesday, April 22 at 10:30 a.m. from Madeira Park community hall, Madeira Park. Committal service at 2:15 p.m. from Vancouver Crematorium, 39th Ave., and Fraser Street. Harvey Funeral Home, Directors. 9713-19

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Building permit
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a corner of Hackett Park was accepted with thanks.

Auditor's fee of $395 plue $22 travelling expense was approved. Also approved were accounts totalling $782.27.

A special meeting will be held to deal with the annual budget. Nothing can be done until school board and H.D. mill rates are set.

Gordon enquired why the second letter concerning restrictive covenants had not been sent to C.H.L. Woodward as per motion. Mrs. Johnston explained she had phoned Woodward. "I have his answer," she said. "If we are going to have to deal in motions then the converse is true," said Gordon. Raynor referred to back minutes and said no motion had been made, only a suggestion, and the minutes had been approved.

Commissioner W. Swain reported J. J. Dayton, consulting engineer, had visited the area and was prepared to make a detailed and complete survey for $900-$1000. This would include survey of village and surrounding area considering geography, topography, future population, degree of sewage at given points, use of present outfall, requirements of all federal, and provincial government departments and estimated cost of money by-laws.

Swain reported three garbage sites have also been picked out.

Work on the launching ramp is well under way, reported commissioner F. Parker. Equipment and materials are on hand and pouring of cement will start soon. He recommended cenotaph light plug-in for the Xmas tree be moved onto the telephone pole. Swain will look into the feasibility of this.

Successful rummage sale

THE LADIES Auxiliary to Pender Harbour Branch, Royal Canadian Legion would like to express their appreciation to all those who, through their donations and patronage helped make the recent rummage sale a success. Articles not sold have been sent to the Salvation Army.

Clocks go ahead Saturday midnight

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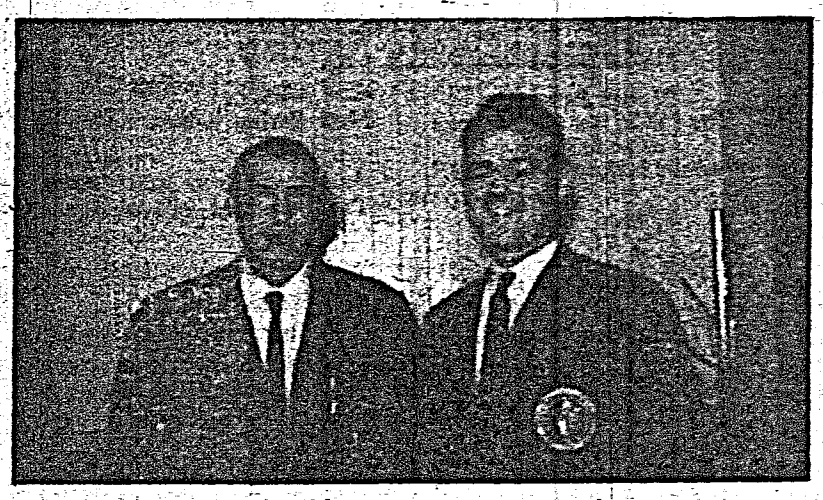

Veterans meet

MR. ARCHIE McDermid and Mr. Tommy Fontaine from Provincial Command here to attend Veterans meeting at Gibsons, to help form local branch of Army, Navy and Air Force vet's club.

Ottawa report

The News' Ottawa bureau

FEDERAL-Provincial conferences are falling about us like autumn leaves nowadays, each one presumably helping to make or unmake Canadian Confederation. Some Great Prime Minister up there in the sky is perhaps keeping score, and come Judgement Day we will know whether the present efforts have tended to save Confederation, or damn it.

Meanwhile about all the true believer can do is work and pray, and perhaps learn to speak the other official language.

There is an uncertain feeling of helplessness among ordinary Canadians about the course of Canadian Confederation, with the cleavages between French and English seemingly growing wider and deeper.

This feeling is shared—and sometimes abetted,—by the ten Provincial Premiers and the Prime Minister of Canada, the men most immediately responsible for charting this country's course.

After the Federal-Provincial conference at Quebec City this month, for example, there were indignant and theatrical protests by some Provincial Premiers.

There were also inordinate and violent attacks on the conference results by Opposition Leaders in the House of Commons. The impression has been spread that Confederation has been shattered or at the very least shaken.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker, with his instinct for the meretricious, claimed that the Federal Government was fostering "the piecemeal dismemberment of Confederation."

Quebec Priemier Lesage's indignant objections to the results of a conference which he knew could have no other result, were of the stuff of the theatre, and probably designed to allay criticism at home.

Then of course come the hysterical screams from extremists on both sides of the cultural curtain—one side protesting a sell-out to Quebec, the other demanding complete separation of Quebec.

And yet, in spite of the political din, some very useful progress was made at the Quebec conference.

The pension issue was considerably clarified. The Federal Government will proceed with the Canada Pension Plan, to operate in any number of provinces. Quebec will have its own plan, which will be fully portable with the National Plan.

Ontario, understandably interested in the large investment fund which a Provincial Plan would produce, has not yet decided whether it will establish its own plan or participate in the Federal Plan, but seems now to be tending towards its own plan.

At any rate, all Canadians will have available basic, portable pension coverage, whether under a Federal or Provincial plan.

Important progress was also made on a formula for allowing provinces to "contract out" of certain joint programs, such as hospital insurance. Any province wishing to do so, will be able to take over the administration of these programs, and will be given additional tax room to pay for them.

The fears of Mr. Diefenbaker and others that contracting out means "deconfederation" are difficult to understand. There has always been contracting out in relations between the Federal and Provincial Governments, and there always will be.

There was also discussion of the Federal Government's plans to extend family allowances to students of 16 and 17, and to provide interest free loans to university students.

Mr. Lesage says these are unconstitutional. Mr. Pearson says they are not. Mr. Lesage says he will test them in the courts. So be it. That's exactly what the courts are for, and it's too bad they haven't been used more often in the dangerous family quarrels.

One must ask though why the Federal Government blatantly proposed a measure such as the family allowance extension without making the least provision for alternative proposals in a province where similar payments already exist. Quebec has been paying such allowances to students of 16 and 17 for nearly three years.

In any case, these topics—along with discussion of a special tax study in depth—were the major preoccupations of the conference. It was undeniably a useful conference. Why therefore should Federal-Provincial relations be surrounded by clouds of doom?

These clouds of doom are probably as much a sign of the Canadian times as the mushroom cloud is of international times. No matter what course Mr. Pearson takes it will be violently opposed by some elements in this divided country.

At the moment, no one knows how close the walls are to tumbling down. The Ottawa-Quebec, the French-English, the two cultures conflict cannot go on much longer as it is The crisis in Quebec must soon be reached. Either there will be a heavy public move towards separatism, or a heavy public reaction against it.

Who knows what seemingly harmless action taken today might influence that move in the wrong direction?

It's easy to wish for the appearance of a great leader, a superman who would return us all to what now appear to be the good old days.

But the solution of Canada's problems now requires patience, hard work, compromise.

These are the qualities which must be exercised by all our leaders now and in the days to come.

Hope to form veterans club

SECRETARY-treasurer T. E. Fontaine and 4th vice-president Archie McDermid of the Army, Navy and Air Force Provincial Command were guests at a meeting held in Gibsons on April 17 with the object of forming a local branch of the club. There was a very good turnout and enthusiasm was very great. The local boys under the leadership of Bill Tweedley have already managed to get 25 Charter Members and it is hoped that the figure of 100 can be reached in the very near future. Mr. T. E. Fontaine gave a talk on the functions and duties of a Veterans Club and stated that most major changes in Veterans Pensions have been brought forward through the efforts of the Veterans Club. The local men feel they would like to get 100 men together with $100. each and start developing a clubhouse immediately. Any veteran interested in such a formation is asked to contact Mr. Bill Tweedely at the Mariner Cafe in Gibsons or phone 886-2800.

Friendship tea aids fund

MRS. Lee Redman, Mrs. Kay Nelson were hostesses at a Friendship tea when 25 St. Hilda's W.A. members and friends were present. These monthly gatherings were started by the late Mrs. K. Redman for the purpose of creating a fund towards the building of a vicarage on St. Hilda's grounds in Sechelt. It is hoped a start on the construction will commence in the near future.

Hair seal

BERGLIOT Solberg of Sechelt with a small 75-pound hair seal she shot in Sechelt Inlet. The hair seals are not so numerous in the inlet as formerly.

$10 million on Irish . . .

Fund raising groups miss out on sweeps

CHURCHES, Service Clubs, P.T.A., and practically every group that is involved with raising funds in the fair name of charity are unhappy with the unsettled state of the law regarding such things as raffles and bingo. This does not seem to bother the out and out illegal operators.

Of the $14,000,000 invested in the last Irish Sweep, $10,000,000 was subscribed by the citizens of the US and Canada.

Countless thousands of Canadians continue to enter British Football pools and sweepstakes in Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica and the US. Tickets are now being touted locally for the sweepstake legalised by one of our neighbour States below the border.

In contrast $711,317 was donated by 165 branches of the Legion (1962-63) in BC alone. In many cases this money was earned the hard way, by Ladies' Auxiliaries, bazaars, raffles, rummage sales and of course bingo and dare it be said? Beer.

The disbursement of these monies covered a wide range of activities an dprojects. Over $68,909 went to cover Bursaries and Scholarships. Further money was contributed to maintain Student Loan Funds and other educational projects.

The New Westminster and District Zone's Earl Haig Society completed its $102,000 low rental housing project in Coquitlam and is planning a similar venture in Haney. Over $212,000 has been invested in building developments throughout the Province with a further $61,700 spent towards the upkeep of these properties.

Essay contests were sponsored by many branches. A total of over 3,000 children took part in these as well as coloring contests. Prizes such as $50 Savings Bonds were awarded.

Assistance to other Welfare groups totalled over $50,000. The Red Cross, Salvation Army, Retarded Children Associations, Crippled Children's Hospital, Heart Fund, March of Dimes and numerous others benefitted from these donations.

In addition Branches donated the use of their halls to many of these community groups. Financial aid from branches to communities themselves amounted to more than $20,000 and took in such things as provisions for swimming pools, cenetaphs, parks and tracks.

Can a price tag be placed on a helping hand to those in need? More than 5,700 veterans' cases have been serviced by Pacific Command.

$30,000 has been spent in a major effort to promote physical fitness for youngsters in the Junior Olympic Training plan. $40,000 has been spent in the last two years to sponsor several teams in local sports activities. These run from baseball to soccer, football, softball, hockey, lacrosse, swimming and bowling.

Pacific Command Branches spent as a result of Poppy donations a total of $102,130 on Relief and Welfare work in communities in 1962 and $118,578 in 1963. At least nine branches built new halls in BC during these years for a total cost of $389,780.63. Three others put on additions costing a total of $63,220.50 or renovations to 52 other branches at a cost of $285,668.47.

Figures mean nothing by themselves, but to each child who gets his uniform in a soccer team, to the ageing veteran who finds a comfortable home free from the many worries of rent increases beyond their capacity to meet, and Legion is still a vital necessity and is proving its worth, as figures again prove by showing a constant growth across the Dominion.

Singh family benefit dance

A BENEFIT dance will be held for Mr. and Mrs. Thaker Singh who lost everything in a fire last week. The dance will be held on Friday, April 24 at 9 p.m. in Wilson Creek community hall. Admission — donation. It is hoped all communities on the Peninsula will help these newcomers to our district.

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EDITORIALS

The Time Has Come . . . . To Talk of Many Things; of Shoes, Ships, Sealing Wax, Cabbages, Kings

Wednesday, April 22, 1964

Support C. of C. Week

THIS is Chamber of Commerce Week. Your local chamber of commerce needs your support in its job of promoting and improving trade and commerce and the economic, civic and social welfare of its area, which is the basic object as set forth in Chamber of Commerce by-laws.

Chambers of Commerce are politically non-partisan, non-sectional and non-sectarian and are open to any reputable person directly or indirectly engaged or interested in trade, commerce or the economic and social welfare of the district. Any person desirous of joining may submit his (or her) application in writing along with the scheduled fee. The candidate is then voted on at a general meeting and must be approved by two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

Members may be honored for meritorious service by being made honorary members. On the other hand, a member may be expelled by a two-third vote of the council for conduct unbecoming to a member. In such case the member may appeal the council's decision before a general meeting.

The council consists of the president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary and ten other elected, paid-up members. No member may hold the same office for more than two years in succession. Council meetings are open to all chamber of commerce members who may attend but may not take part in any of the proceedings. All books of the Chamber are open to any member at any reasonable hours.

Elections are held annually in January. A nominating committee of three members is appointed by the council and consists of the immediate past president, two other members other than council members. Nominations may also be accepted from the floor but must be signed by the mover and the nominee. Voting is by secret ballot. Parliamentary procedure adhered to at meetings is in accordance with Bourinot's Rules of Order.

Your Chamber of Commerce needs your support. This Peninsula has three such organizations. Gibsons and District C. of C. whose president is K. F. McHeffey; Sechelt and District C. of C. whose president is T. Osborne and Pender Harbour and District C. of C. whose president is John Dunlop.

Suspicious World . . . *a guest editorial by Helene Orpen*

BEING fortunate enough to fall into conversation with a well-travelled entertainer, I made a note of his remark that there is a definite procedure to follow when touring Israeli and the United Arab Republic. This man stated that if a show is booked first for U.A.R. it may then go on to Israeli, but if booked for Israeli, U.A.R. must be crossed off the itinerary. U.A.R. suspicion decrees that the performers must be up to no good if they have just come from Israeli.

This from adult educated human beings in a world that is striving for some form of co-existence between nations! Because this type of thinking in varying degrees is common to most countries, Canadians themselves can't sit back and say "We're not like that."

How many times have we automatically discredited an idea because it came from Russia (communist) or the U.S.A. (big business) or even Quebec (separatism)?

On an even more personal level how many times have we listened to a proposal and before deciding on its merits asked "Whose idea is this?" then based our decision on how we felt about the person?

When entire nations indulge in this kind of prejudice, the world is hampered by a negative approach to all questions. World leaders are forced to spend more time learning the intricate steps of the "Don't-step-on-his-toes" dance, done to national theme music, than to creating a better world for all people.

Wih her heterogenous populace, and a bit of clear thinking, perhaps Canada could show the U.A.R. and countries like it that suspicion does not make great men nor great nations.

Stiffer Driving Penalties

THE Attorney-General's new warning that penalties for impaired driving (or operation of a motor vehicle) will be much more severe than in the past is fair notice to those who irresponsibly persist in mixing alcohol and gasoline.

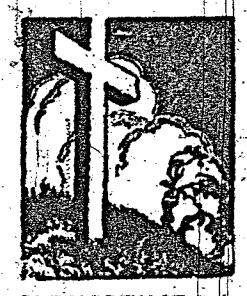
The warning does not say that you must not or cannot or should not drink. It tries to point out, however, that the loss of the privilege of using the highways, plus a piece of your paycheck, and possibly some of your freedom, will be the penalty.

Since automobiles kill more people in North America than all the wars of history, this ton-and-a-half of steel that you hurtle down the highway must be regarded as the most lethal weapon we have yet developed for average human use.

Continuing driver education, such as high school driver training programs, the Jaycees Road-E-O competitions, and efforts of motor association is one way to arouse the public to the indifference presently being accorded motor vehicle operation. We say indifference, because there is no other word to describe a society in which only one out of three drivers is fully competent to manage a motor vehicle.

Other possible methods include stricter supervision of vehicles using the highways, through vehicle testing; stricter qualifying examinations for drivers; more frequent driver testing.

And, of course, more realistic penalties for infractions of the laws governing motor vehicle operation. The warning of stiffer fines, jail terms, and licence suspension is a step in the right direction. It should not be ignored.



Minute Messages

"Most people are bothered by those passages of Scripture they do not understand; but . . . the passages that bother me are those I do understand". — Mark Twain

SPRINGTIME brings with it newness of life. All around us we see trees breaking forth into new life, as the leaves appear and buds blossom into beautiful flowers. All this beautiful array of color causes people to rejoice in the wonders of nature.

Yet a greater wonder than this, is when God through His love showers upon us grace, and mercy to change a repentant sinner into a new creature in Christ Jesus. 2 Corinthians 5:17, an act which even causes the hosts of heaven to rejoice. Luke 15:7 and 10.

—Rev. Walter Ackroyd, Pender Harbour Tabernacle.

as Quoted

. . . food for thought

Schools are aiming too much at teaching pupils the content of other men's minds, and too little at training them to discover the capacity of their own.

—R. R. Hancock

Random Thoughts

by Ben Burroughs

"A FRIEND IS GONE"

THE morning dew has lost its bliss — and dreary shadows fall — for I am now without someone — my heart learned to enthrall — the sun that shone so brilliantly — hides out behind gray clouds — and even flowers by the way — are held in mist-like shrouds — life somehow doesn't seem the same — sweet smiles are hard to find — and all the old familiar scenes — serve only to remind — my heart once filled with buoyant hope — is heavy with despair — no tender words of confidence — no longer one to care — but life is for the living — and so I'll journey on — engulfed in somber loneliness — because a friend is gone.

Questions About The Law

QUESTION: My brother and his wife died three months apart. The wife died last and willed their home to a relative. The estate isn't settled yet and it is coming to tax time. If the estate is not settled by the time taxes are due, who is responsible for the taxes?

ANSWER: The executor or administrator of the estate is responsible for the taxes until such time as the estate is distributed. The taxes are charged against the estate.

Opinions

"I may be wrong,
but I shall not be so wrong
as to fail to say
what I believe to be right."
—JOHN ATKINS

Cast a Vote at 18

(Lakeshore News)

PREMIER Lesage has warned Quebec youth to use its new franchise properly. He was referring to young men and women between the ages of 18 and 21 who have received the right to vote in this province.

It is a great privilege of a democratic society to elect its representatives to government. The Fathers of Confederation fought hard to acquire "rep by pop" and allow Canadians to participate fully in the control of government.

Advancements in science warrant a wider scope of knowledge. Never has there been such emphasis on formal education as today. The twentieth century pace requires children to grow up faster. Faster maturity must assume greater responsibility.

Educational programs are designed to make young people participate more fully in a world that requires experts. "The sooner they are prepared the better" is a new slogan.

Therefore, the young people that will go to the polls for the first time must live up to the faith placed in them by their fathers and forefathers.

It is our duty to have confidence that they will live up to their responsibilities. It is their duty to become informed on the political situation and decide on a responsible government supported by their con-

School Buildings

(Abbotsford News)

SOME highly interesting figures have been made public by a British Columbia school trustee interested in the cost of fire insurance for school buildings in this province.

He is Anthony Hatcher, of Surrey, and his research should make British Columbia do a lot of thinking.

In the five year period from 1956 to 1961 the costs of insuring school buildings in this province was $2,500,000. In the same period fire losses in srhools exceeded $3,000,000. It does not take much imagination to reach the conclusion that insuring school buildings will become progressively more expensive if this record continues.

Vast majority of schools in British Columbia are of frame construction, the Surrey trustee points out. Provincial department of education will not agree to share costs of more expensive brick schools.

Yet in neighboring Washington state, where most schools are brick, the fire record is far better than in British Columbia. In Seattle, for example, school authorities do not buy commercial insurance at all. They have a self-insuring arrangement, and there is a substantial credit in the fund.

Constructing single floor schools of brick or concrete blooks, Mr. Hatcher says, is the best way to prevent fires. You are certain to save insurance costs, and probably to save lives.

Provincial education department should be asked to approve such construction on a fully shared basis. With its brick industry in mind, The News suggests this district should be the first community to press Victoria for reconsideration.

Spring

—By Marilyn Simpkins

Now Spring is here up on our hill
As witness trees and daffodil
The Pears are splitting in their buds
While Grapevines look to me like duds.
The Cherry buds are large and bright
With gumlike stuff, but what a sight
When they burst out into a bloom
Of dazzling white against the gloom,
Of naked boughs or scruffy broom.
Tulips are poking here and there
And soon they all will fill the air.

Two Boys and a Dog

One never knows what boys will do;
For instance, just last night
I sat down in an easy chair
To rest by the firelight.

But instinct told me something was
Not as it should have been,
That foxy little terrier
Was nowhere to be seen.

I knew he must have gone to bed
With those two boys of mine,
Fox he was not outside or else
I'd hear his plaintive whine.

I tramped upstairs and called his, name
Then blessed that knowing dog,
For there he was, way down in bed,
As silent as a log.

I tried to coax him out of where
He crouched beside their feet,
But all my pleas and coaxing wiles
Met only with defeat.

I knew those imps were feigning sleep
And held him with their feet,
But I fixed them for playing tricks—
I made them wash the sheet.

Dad Goes on Manoeuvres

Oh, gee, you oughter seen my Dad,
When he came home from drill,
His soldier suit looked like he had
Rolled down a muddy hill.

I couldn't even see his face,
It was as black as ink,
And mother made him wash himself
Right in the kitchen sink.
Aw gee, I bet my Dad has fun,
With them Reserves out there,
He gets all black and ma don't scold,
I think she doesn't dare.

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Plans progress for May-day

MAY Day plans are progressing steadily. Sechelt PTA and Sunshine Coast Lions club each sent two representatives to the May Day committee meeting headed by Dick Brancea. Mrs. S. Dawe is secretary.

It was decided to invite the same naval band as last year and the parade route will be the same. Suggested program will be—parade to Hackett Park, crowning ceremony, sports events, queen's banquet, followed by two dances in the Legion Hall, first one for the younger children followed by one for the teenagers. May queen will be chosen as usual from the grade six class at the Sechelt elementary school.

David Macleod memorial trophy

SUNSHINE Coast athletic club will sponsor a fund to provide a perpetual trophy in memory of David Macleod who passed away recently.

Because David was one of the top sprinters at the provincial level in the bantam boys' class, it is hoped to have the trophy presented annually to the winner of the bantam boys 100 yard dash at the BC age class championship track and field meet to be held this year at Richmond.

Donations to this fund may be mailed or delivered to Helen Bezdeck, secretary, Sunshine Coast Athletic Club, RR 1, Gibsons.

John Leonard Myers

JOHN Leonard Myers passed away April 12, 1964, aged 61, of Gibsons, B.C. Survived by his loving wife Marguerite and one sister, Kay D. Anderson, Cupar Sask. Funeral service Wed., April 15, 3 p.m. from Mt. Pleasant chapel, Vancouver, Rev. Denis F. Harris officiating. Cremation. In lieu of flowers donations to St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Gibsons, B.C. HARVEY FUNERAL HOME, directors.

Pender news

—By Bunny Smith

A. TJORHAM is in charge of May Day. Another meeting of the committee will be held on Tuesday, April 28th in the Legion Hall. Come on, merchants, get behind it!

Tom Hastings of the Vancouver Fire hall has been in the Harbour all week giving lectures to the Volunteer Fire brigade. The firemen would be happy to have volunteers to help with the bingo, help renovate the fire hall and donation of furniture to furnish the fire hall would also be much appreciated. Please contact Marshall Rae or Gerry Finchham.

Hopkins Landing, Howe Sound

THE HOPKINS Landing—Howe Sound site as it appeared in 1907. The small cottage on the right is in 1957, the 'Welcome Lodge'. The lean-to beyond was the logging camp of the "Mosher" who logged the timber off the slopes behind.

—Photo courtesy Captain G. Hopkins, City Archives

Province wide . . .

Shower of Dimes Campaign in May

ANNUAL SHOWER of Dimes campaign will take place this year during the month of May, commencing May 1st. Monies raised will go to the Queen Alexandra Solarium which at present accomodates up to 90 bed patients.

Patients are admitted from all parts of the province for all types of treatment requiring long term treatment regardless of color, creed or race.

A typical example of the cases treated is that of Bruce—Now aged 15 years. First admitted to the Solarium in 1952 following an attack of Poliomyelitis. This was quite severe and seriously effected the lower part of the body. Treatment called for a long range plan of surgery supported by Physiotherapy and hydrotherapy, fitting of braces and splints and final teaching to become self reliant. The boy was admitted first in 1952 at the age of seven years and his first stay was for a period of four years. He was then allowed to return home for a period of approximately one year when he was re-admitted for a stay of another six months for further surgery and fitting of different leg braces. He then returned home once again and was finally re-admitted for completion of treatment early in 1961 and then discharged again late in the same year. At this time he was fitted with special braces which enable him to be entirely self dependent and this boy has now returned home to complete his schooling to the point where he is ready for University. At that time he will be able to proceed to University and follow his studies without and difficulty whatsoever. A follow-up procedure will again apply for this boy and at the time of his admission to University, efforts will be made to provide him with an electric wheel chair so that no part of the campus will be out of his reach. This boy is full of enthusiasm and has been very patient with the long years of care which have been necessary to rehabilitate him and he will be able to follow a full and useful life in every sense.

Main items in the $2,145,666,750 spending to be administered by the federal department of health and welfare in the coming year include $882 million for the universal old age pension, $420 million for the federal share of hospital insurance.

The Reader's Right

—Opinions by our Readers

Doctors welcome

Editor, The Times

Sir—I note in the April 15 issue of the Times that I am mentioned as having stated that Dr. Morris left because he was the target of certain correspondence with copies to the Minister of Health.'

This was not the intention of my statement as Dr. Morris might not have stayed no matter how friendly the attitude of the community. The one important point I wished to make was that any serious community argument makes it difficult to obtain a replacement. Most doctors do not choose a rural practice and they are still more reluctant to enter an area where there has been a recent controversy involving the doctor.

I believe the best way to attract a resident doctor, whether in association with the Medical Clinic or in independent practice is to permit old quarrels to die and assure interested doctors they are welcome.

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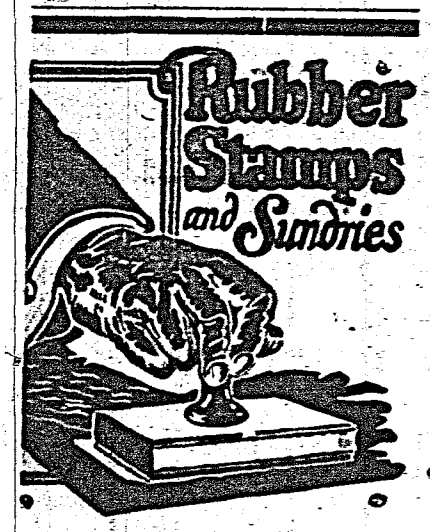

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Port Mellon News

—By Linda Moore

HOME ON LEAVE

ORDINARY Seaman Ian Sheppard, RCN, spent ten days leave with his parents and brothers in Port Mellon. He was stationed at the naval base HMCS Cornwallis, Digby, Nova Scotia and has gone to Victoria for further training.

BADMINTON SEASON ENDS

Family night was held by the Badminton players under the Port Mellon Community Club on April 14th, 1964, to end the Badminton Season. Lunch was provided and served by the parents of the children participating. The Port Mellon Girls made a presentation of Azaelea plants to Mrs. J. Clark and Mrs. R. Jamieson, who have given their time and instructions to the girls all season.

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Pupil distribution . . .

School board considers construction plans

PRESENT AND FUTURE building plans were the major items discussed at Sechelt S.D. No. 46 board meeting. District superintendent of schools, Gordon E. Johnson's plan for placement of pupils in September was accepted by the board, and he was authorized to make arrangements for teachers accordingly.

Gibsons elementary school addition will not be ready until December at the earliest, so pupils will be distributed to schools in Sechelt, Roberts Creek, Langdale and Port Mellon as in the past year.

The board was unanimously opposed to swing shifts.

Arrangements will be made to place a kindergarten class in either the School hall or preferrably the Anglican Church hall if this latter is available.

A teacher from England has been hired to teach a kindergarten class in Gibsons and should this class be enrolled in the School hall, Gibsons elementary students will not be able to have physical education until the completion of the auditorium.

Children from Cannery and Henry Roads area will continue in their present schools until construction problems are ironed out, then they will return to the schools in their own attendance areas, it was the decision of the board on a motion from school trustee J. Horvath.

"If we are going to cater to individual requests, then we don't need boundaries," said trustee Mrs. Celia Fisher.

G. Johnson felt the parental reaction varied from year to year and with teacher to teacher.

Board chairman, Mrs. Muriel Ball pointed out children attending Roberts Creek school from Gibsons attendance area were able to travel by bus, whereas, if they attended Gibsons school they had to walk two miles on the highway because they are within limits and the bus is crowded. She felt if pupils started in a certain school they should continue there until the end of the school year.

REQUEST DELAYED

Trustee Reg Spicer's request to proceed with definite plans for the one room addition to the Mareira Park elementary school did not receive approval of the board. Trustee Mrs. Peggy Volen and Mrs. Celia Fisher opposed the motion made by Spicer and seconded by Horvath. Trustee Mrs. Leslie Jackson abstained from voting on the grounds she didn't know enough about the situation, so Mrs. M. Ball cast a negative vote as required under the School Act.

Mrs. Fisher opposed the construction of the classroom because she felt a proper sized activity room was needed at the Madeira Park school, and in view of both the present and projected enrollment, it would be wiser to use the present activity room as a classroom and add a full sized activity room in the next referendum.

"In the present activity room, Mrs. Fisher said, the windows are classroom size and the hanging lights will not permit the playing of any games, except possibly marbles.

Spicer claimed he had been given permission to proceed under minutes of Feb. 14th. "Since then board members have taken a look at the school," countered Mrs. Fisher.

"The people of Pender Harbour voted for this referendum and this room, there are 32 pupils to a classroom, and what about the kindergarten?" argued Reg Spicer.

Gordon Johnson said at the moment it looked as if there would be enough pupils for half a kindergarten class. Projected enrollment is 205 pupils for Sept. 1966-67, 207 for Sept. 1965-66 compared to Sept. 1964-65 enrollment of 205 and present enrollment of 192. Department standards are three teachers for 109 pupils and one teacher for each 39 pupils over 109.

The board will await the results of kindergarten survey, being taken by Gordon Freeman, principal of Madeira Park elementary.

PROCEED WITH I.A. AND HOME EC.

The board voted unanimously that the preliminary groundwork be laid for the construction of the I.A. and Home Ec. rooms at Pender Harbour secondary school. Gordon Johnson explained this would be one of the first such rooms to be built under the new departmental plan and senior courses are still being worked out. He said he would like some leeway so the rooms can be built and modified to suit the needs of the area. He suggested the I.A. room be built to accomodate an expanded Fishing course and the home-ec. room to accomdate art classes. Initial approach has been made to the department with this in mind.

Spicer questioned type and direction of expansion of Gibsons elementary school. "Two classrooms will be 30 feet in the hole. You won't be able to see the top of the play field from them," he charged. "It's fantastic to put a school in a hole like that."

"You were there with the architect, why didn't you mention this then?" queried Mrs. Fisher. Maintenance man H. Chaster explained the ground slope is south-east and the building will cut across the end of the field in a south-westerly direction which is nearly level. Starting at 15 feet above level will put one room three feet below level, he said.

PRESENTS PLANS

W. S. Potter, principal of Elphinstone secondary school was made chairman of a six man standing committee to prepare a satisfactory plan for vocational expansion in preparing for the next referendum. Potter has the power to select three school trustees and two other teachers to work with him.

Horvath suggested businessmen be asked to attend when there were specific questions to be put to them.

Potter presented five alternative plans to the board with difficulities and advantages, if any, of each. These were (1) vocational wing to be built at the east end of the present school, (2) additional classrooms to the east side, (3) senior secondary school on the same property, (4) junior secondary school in the Sechelt area, (5) technical senior secondary school in the Sechelt area in conjuction with the Department of Indian affairs.

Potter favored the first plan, which is the most feasible to construct, and offers the most advantages. Gordon Johnson supported Potter in this plan.

GIBSONS VFD

After an inspection of Elphinstone secondary school, fire chief Bill Scott of the Gibsons volunteer fire department recommended the auditorium be equipped with a dry sprinkler system and fire proof insulation, and the basement occupational room built originally, as a storeroom, should be equipped with a panic door direct to the outside. This would come out on the south side of the main building and the stairwell would project out onto the blacktop driveway, according to Chaster. Chaster was asked to bring in firm estimates on the cost of construction of stairwell and panic door, also cost of sprinkler system.

Chaster introduced Porter, new maintenance supervisor. Chaster was given permission to visit S. D. No. 23 to inspect the hydropure water unit before installation of one at Pender.

Mrs. Ball reported her investigations on scholarship funds. She referred to Howe Sound SD which administers a scholarship fund contributed to by local citizens and organizations. They grant sums up to $500 a year on a repayable basis and no stipulation on courses taken. She would like to see a similar fund established here.

Potter reported the Glee club under Mrs. Vernon will be performing on Variety night on May 8 and also at graduation. Mrs. Vernon has offered to sponsor and assist the band to keep interest alive until an instructor can be obtained.

The school publishers' club has purchased the Coast News' old hand press for $50.

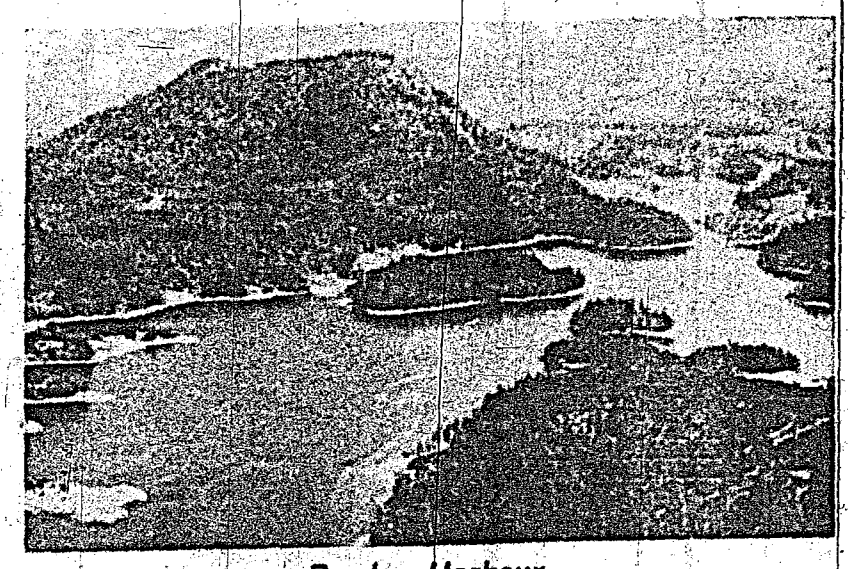
Mrs. Fisher reported the Sechelt Motor Transport will get in touch with the board office if they can make any arrangements to transport Gambier Island students from Langdale.

Authority was granted to Chaster to install climbing ropes in the Pender Harbour gym. Architect's opinion was there is no danger of weakening the tensile strength of the laminated beam if holes are bored through the middle third.

Horvath was delegated to investigate the only bid on lend-lease cars submitted by Peninsula Motors.

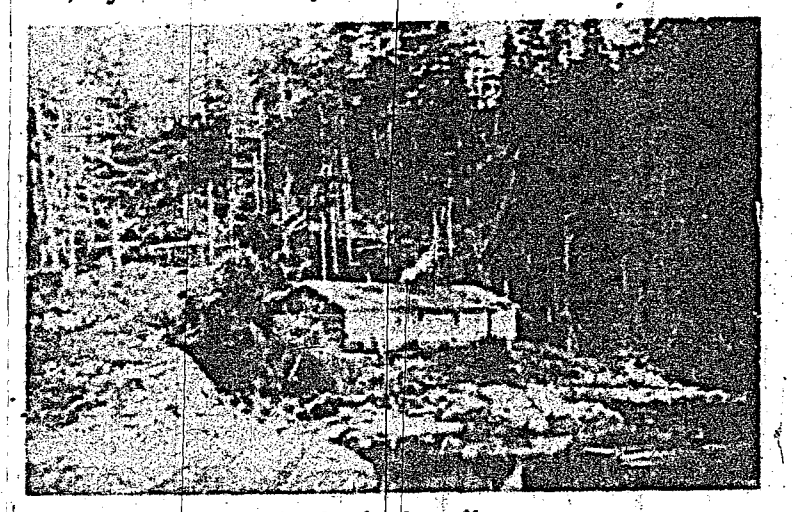
Dakota Belle, school ferry owned and operated by R. Phillips, as no flares nor a life jacket with 30 feet of rope attached, as required by DoT regulations on boats over 42 feet. Spicer advised these were not necessary according to Phillips, because he did not go outside the Harbour and was never more than one-half mile from shore. A copy of DoT regulations will be sent to Phillips.

USE TIMES CLASSIFIED FOR QUICK RESULTS



Pender Harbour

PENDER HARBOUR, the beautiful, landlocked, marine basin, to the casual observer, be he tourist, merchant, itinerant yachtsman or salesman, appears placid, peaceful and slumbrous—a sleeping beauty awaiting the kiss of a mythical prince to waken her to the vibrant life of a fabulous summer resort. Pender Harbour was so named by Captain G. H. Richards, R.N. in 1860 after Daniel Pender, R.N., second master of H.M. survey vessel "Plumper," an auxiliary steam sloop, barque rigged of 484 tons and 60 horsepower and a speed of six knots. From narrative history of Pender Harbour, city archives, by R. F. Donley, 1957.



Irvine's Landing

IRVINE'S Landing, 1895. The first building; the older part was erected about 1875 by "Chinese" Harry; the first trader. John West was the first postmaster in this building, 1897.

First postmaster

JOHN WEST, first postmaster at Irvine's Landing in 1897, pictured with a niece. He is father of John West, now living in Egmont.

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Doriston needs road six miles required

SINCE 1955 THE people of the small community of Doriston, near Egmont, have been trying to have a six mile stretch of road put in to join them up with other communities on the Peninsula.

At the present time when they need groceries or want their mail or other supplies, they must go out by boat. There's a hitch to this, too. To get to Egmont by boat they must travel through the Skookumchuk rapids, which means waiting for slack tide in most instances. The other alternative is to travel down Sechelt Inlet to Sechelt, and this is an all day undertaking.

It would take only six miles of road on an easy grade to join this community up with the government road at Egmont, and two miles of this road—one mile at either end—is already in as logging roads. The road grade has been surveyed out and a 100-foot right-of-way dedicated through the private property involved. Each landowner involved has this right-of-way for $1.

According to the petitioners there is no obvious rock work to do and there are extensive deposits of suitable gravel. The deposits are estimated at 30-40,000 cubic yards. The type of road requested is referred to as a "cow trail."

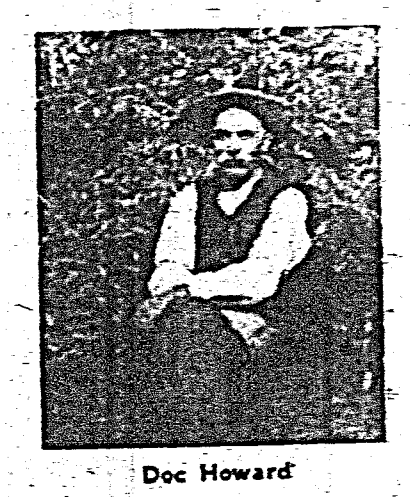
A steady correspondence has been carried on with the Hon. Phillip Gaglardi, Minister of Highways, with no results. In 1957 Gaglardi did say he would consider it for next year's estimates, but in a letter the following spring, he said funds were needed for the Trans Canada highway, so none would be likely for Doriston. In 1961, the Department of Highways put in a survey crew and surveyed the right-of-way. Gaglardi's latest estimate is $60,000.

A portion of this road would give access to the Skookumchuck, a spectacular scenic attraction and an excellent fishing area.

One of the residents of Doriston, Eric Gunnar Gjerdin has written the following poem about their efforts.

Big Chief Passem-Buck

By the shores of Sechelt Inlet,
through the mighty Skookum Chuck
Lies the hamlet of Doriston,
where the people there are stuck.
They have asked the Great White Father, mighty chief
who builds roads
To give them an outlet past the rapids which forbodes.
Six long years they have asked him, but they have had no luck,
As the Mighty, White Father answers back and passes the buck.
So the people of this hamlet, who reside in through the Chuck
Bestow upon this Father the title, Big Chief Passem Buck.
Mighty chieftain, Great White Father, who builds roads in all B.C.
Take this title and revere it. None Deserves it more than thee.
From the people in the hamlet
by the mighty Skookum Chuck
Accept this honor, this great title, Big, Big Chief Passem Buck!



Doc Howard

Granny Rouse

Pender's original medical team

DOC Howard and Granny Rouse were Pender Harbour's original medical team. Doc Howard, well loved, blunt, kindly old general practitioner, came to Pender Harbour during World War I, with his wife, an invalid Spanish nurse. Doc kept goats and raised chickens, augmenting his scanty medical earnings with the sale of milk, eggs and berries.

Granny Rouse, nee Jeffries, will be recognized by her more than 100 descendants. Born on Merry Island, one of 13 children, she married Bill Rouse, who in early times worked at Vananda mines. They settled at Earl's Cove in 1909 and later moved to and settled permanently at the head of Whiskey Slough in Pender Harbour. For many years Granny Rouse delivered many of early Pender Harbour's babies, writer included, with or without Doc Howard. She never lost a mother or a babe.

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Roberts Creek
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derful job as committee chairman as was evidenced by the many letters of thanks read at the meeting for cards and flowers receiver. No one is forgotten.

Donations amounting to $1200 have been received by the Roberts Creek new St. Mary's hospital fund. A cheque for this amount is being sent to St. Mary's hospital society to furnish a two-bed ward.

Doners are Mr. and Mrs. Beeman (memory of Mrs. Mortimer), Mrs. Bonnie Graham, Royal Canadian Legion branch No. 219, Royal Canadian Legion branch No. 219 L.A., Roberts Creek United church, St. Aidans Church, Royal Canadian Legion branch No. 109 (memory of Mrs. Mortimer), Mt. Elphinstone recreation committee, Bingo kitchen committee, Players Club and Roberts Creek community association.

Fifth annual country dance

APPLICATION forms are available at the Times office for the fifth annual Scottish country dance weekend on the UBC campus from Friday, May 15-18. Deadline registration date is May 2. Registration fee is $8. Accomodation is available at a reasonable cost.

Wilson Creek notes

—By Mabel Wagman

FIRE SWEPT the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sing, April 15th at 1:30 a.m. The fire, contained inside the building, threatened by strong winds, caused the evacuation of Vic's Motel. A special note goes to the Sechelt Fire Brigade on the speed and effort made. They are credited for saving nearby buildings. Also a word of mention goes to Corporal Nelson and the Sechelt RCMP, Mr. Bill Gleason, a forest Ranger from Oregon, and Mr. Vic Franski on their personal efforts in keeping the fire under control.

The family dog, Tina, is credited with saving Tommy Sing's life by his loud barking and tugging at his bed clothes. The home was a total loss and nothing was salvaged.

NEW HOMES

Many new homes are going up in the Wilson Creek area. It is wonderful to see the expansion of such a beautiful sea side with many houses and flower gardens. Among the new home owners are Mr. and Mrs. George Burnett and Daughter Ona. Mr. and Mrs. Don Caldwell also have their new house occupied.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Linda Pearson celebrated her 11th birthday on the 13th of April. On the 14th of April, at 3:30 in the afternoon, a party was held in her honor. Guests were Glenys McLeod, Clare Hague, Heather Hall, Carol Boser, Ona Burnett, Kathy DeKleer, Barbara Humphreys, Marilyn Simpkins, Jacky Duffy and Georgina Newsham.

NEAR FUTURE

The Sea Beach Motel, under the recent management of Mr. and Mrs. Chick Moorhouse, will be under new management in the near future. Many thanks of appreciation go to the Moorhouses for their service to the public. Mr. and Mrs. Chick Moorhouse are moving To Powell River where they will reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Simpkins have their son, Frank, home from the Cariboo for a visit.

SPRING TEAS

The Spring Tea and Bake Sale of the United Church Women of the St. John's Church was held April 14th at the Community Hall. Rev. W. Murray Cameron, from Gibsons, declared the opening of the tea at 2 o'clock on a lovely sunny afternoon.

The conveners, Mrs. Kaye Franski and Mrs. John DeKleer, wish to express their appreciation for all the willing and efficient assistance they received.

Receiving the many guests, from surrounding areas, were Miss Campbell, deaconess, and Mrs. T. Lamb, president.

Pourers were the following: Mrs. W. Cameron, Gibsons; Mrs. Edith Sturgeon, Roberts Creek; Mrs. D. R. Barclay, Wilson Creek; and Mrs. N. Renwick, Victoria.

The serving was done by Mrs. Kay Moore, Mrs. Connie McDonald and Mrs. L. C. Chamberlain.

In charge of the Bake Sale table was Mrs. W. C. McCullough, Mrs. A. L. Parsons and Mrs. Adams of Sechelt, and at the stationery table was Mrs. Margaret McLeod, Wilson Creek.

Mrs. Phylis Handford took care of the tickets at the door. In charge of the kitchen were Mrs. A. L. Parsons, Mrs. Harold Pearson, Mrs. Paul Hansen and Mrs. Kaye Franski.

The essence of bright daffodils and spring shrubbery, which decorated the tables and hall, made the setting for a sociable tea.

BAKE SALE

The Girls of the Sunny Crest Horse Saddle Club held a Bake Sale in the Sechelt Shop-Easy on Saturday, April 17th. Barbara Tyson of Wilson Creek wishes to thank all those who made it a success by participating and contributing to the event. In charge of the Bake Sale were the following: Mrs. A. Clarke, Phyllis Tyson, Patricia Anderson, and Barbara Tyson.

The profit will be used for saddle blankets which the girls will be making themselves. They will also purchase colored ribbon for their Gymcana, where the horses will perform, which they plan in the near future.

In and out of Wilson Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Terry McLaren and son, recent residents of Wilson Creek, have moved to Prince George where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Campbell and family are moving from Karatew's Trailer Court, Gibsons, to Wilson Creek where they will reside.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

The Executive meetings of the Wilson Creek Community will be held on every second Wednesday in the month. The next meeting will be held on April 29th.

Mount Logan, nearly 20,000 feet and Canada's highest, was first ascended in 1925.

Sechelt Bowling Alleys

—By Eve Moscrip

IN THE High School League Team No. 1 (Jack Goeson, Capt.) won over Mary Ritchies Team 2020-1925.

League Scores:

Ladies League—Joan Janiewick 652 (257) Mary Flay 645 (272).

Pender:

Gordon Freeman 819 (335).

Winning teams for bowl off Blowhards and Stoneheads.

Peninsula Commercial—Andy Leslie 769 (279); Audrey Benner 251; Bronnie Wilson 815 (261, 333); Harriet Duffy 708 (280); Sam MacKenzie 850 (318, 278); Norma Branca 309.

Sports Club—Jean Robinson 279, Lil Butler 676 (251); Red Robinson 294, Lorne Allen 640, Lil McCourt 671.

Ball & Chain—Mary Flay 601 (256); Bruce Redman 786 (305); Red Robinson 714 (304); Roger Hocknell 644; Les Chamberlin 655 (280); Marian Cook 608.

Ladies Matinee—Hazel Skytte 667 (310); Phyllis Pearson 261, Eve Moscrip 274.

High School—Ted Johnson 506 (214); Alex Skytte 562 (240) Jack Goeson 593 (235); Lenda Stroshein 470 (193).

Ten pins

Ray Benoit 538, Dick Clayton 530 (206). Don Caldwell 555, Mickey Baba 501 (222). Roger Hocknell 523. Marvin Skytte 200, Ray Fleming 515.

Roberts Creek L.A. Legion Bazaar

LADIES Auxiliary to Roberts Creek Legion bazaar were pleased with the results of their efforts. Mrs. Eunice Robinson won the door prize and Mrs. Jean Crawford won the mystery box. Mrs. Bessie Clark won the doll raffle with ticket No. 20, while Dolly Davidson with No. 196 and Kitty Stevens with No. 206 won grocery hampers.

A rummage sale is planned for Saturday, May 16 at 2 p.m.

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TEEN TOPICS

Under Twenty Mailbag

by Bessie Little

Got a problem? Write Bessie Little, Under Twenty Mailbag, Columbia Features, 36 West 44th St., New York 36, N.Y.

DEAR Bessie: I went with a boy and hurt him very much. After I broke up with him I found that I really loved him. Now we are back, but I am the one that's getting hurt this time. He says he loves me and we are planning to get married as soon as I graduate. Recently I heard he has been going with another girl. When I asked him, he didn't deny it. Now he only comes by my house or calls about twice a week and spends all his other time with her. Now another boy likes me. I will be hard to forget my boyfriend, but it can be done. Please give me your advice.—Second Fiddle.

Dear Second Fiddle: The kind of relationship you have had with this boy certainly doesn't look like the best basis for a happy marriage. It doesn't appear as if you two are anythere near ready for marriage—especially not to each other. I'd suggest you stop your half of the going steady routine, put the wedding invitations away for a while and get to know some other guys. In the meantime you have learned a good deal about boy—girl relationships and this should help you when you finally decide on your life's mate.

Dear Bessie: My best girlfriend has gotten mixed up with abunch of kids who are pretty wild and have bad reputations in town. I don't want to go around with them because I'm afraid it can only lead to trouble. My girlfriend likes them and tells me I should join the fun. What can I do to make her see them for what they are?

—Called "Chicken."

Dear Chicken: I'm afraid there really isn't much you can do about your girl-friend. If you've talked to her about it and done your best to make her see the light, that's about the limit of what you can do. Just keep your mind firm on your decision not to be a part of a group that goes against what you feel and know to be right. Your friend will probably realize she's in the wrong crowd and come to her senses. Just hope she doesn't wake up too late.

Dear Bessie: I like a boy but I get awfully angry at him for things he does. I'm always forgiving him, but don't know why. When I try to be friendly with him he shrugs me off. Why am I always forgiving him and what can I do to gain his interest? —Forgivingly.

Dear Forgivingly: Play it cool. You forgive his attitude because you like him. If he knows he can use you as a door mat, he'll continue to do so. Pay a little less attention to him and he'll probably begin paying more attention to you.

Dear Bessie: I'm an honor student and consider myself pretty well informed on most things. My problem is that when I'm on a date I don't know whether I should play it dumb or let the fellow think I've got a few brains. The boys pretty much like to have the floor, don't they?—Dating Scholar.

Dear Dating Scholar: Any interesting guy you meet will want to know what kind of mind you have and will enjoy listening to you as well as talking to you. The thing to watch out for is that by overextending yourself you become known as Miss Wisegal. No male wants a female genius who constantly tells him he's wrong and brags about how terribly bright she is. You don't have to sit around like a dumb Dora to attract the boys, but if you give the impression you know ALL the answers you'll have to settle for A plus in school and E minus in social life.

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Played hookey, caught steelhead

SUNDAY proved a good day for playing hookey from Sunday School for Brian and Teddy Higginson. They went fishing near the mouth of Wilson Creek and showed some of the oldtimers how it was done. With just an earthworm for bait they managed to land themselves a nine pound Steelhead.

This is believed to be one of the largest taken out so far this season and the boys report that there are lots more there for the taking and you just have to know where they are. But they are not telling.

9 lb. Steelhead

NINE pound Steelhead caught by Brian Higginson in Wilson Creek.

Teen-of-the-week

RAIMO SAVOLAINEN is the scientific wizard of P.H.S.S. This is not a hobby; it is a way of life with him. He is completely at home among electrical circuits and test tubes, and he plans to use enough academic alchemy in June to make his way into the laboratories of UBC where he plans to bury himself for several years research.

Raimo Savolainen

He really doesn't hate people. In fact he is a helpful and friendly type, and has a real love for school. Sometimes he fancies himself in front of a class, producing great clouds of carbon disulfide from a fiendish collection of retorts and tubing.

Raimo has been most active in the Film Club for several years, and has contributed much in the way of know-how and equipment to the science classes. He prepared a fine exhibit for the Science Fair last year, and as a consequence of his scientific record was chosen to attend a very special conference of young Canadian scientists in Ontario, a seminar that lasted the entire summer, sponsored by the Royal Canadian Institute.

He made a most interesting report on this to the assembled school on his return. If Raimo does not make his fortune in research, he will make it in business. We will not embarass him with detailed accounts of his numerous transactions, but no one else has ever thought of bargaining with the Future Teachers for job lots of prepared hot dogs and selling them at a profit to another club. We are happy to report that the profit went to the Film Club treasury.

Raimo is a De Molay, and has many social and scientific interests outside school. He has excelled in track and in distance running. Perhaps his friendship with Howie White has kept him in condition.

Raimo is just commencing his career in the world; we predict he will make his mark at University even as he has at Pendor Harbour Secondary.

Elphinstone news

ELPHINSTONE intermediate boys had their first loss of the season to Max Cameron which won the basketball tournament last weekend. Elhpinstone came in second with Brocks third and Vananda fourth.

The Port Mellon trampoline which was used by all the physical education classes has been taken back home again. It was enjoyed by all.

Report cards for grades 11 and 12 were received on Friday. They were distributed early as a warning to students and parents, and give the students sufficient time to pick up their boots and start studying for the June departmental exams. The percentage mark is shown on the report card for all subjects in which a departmental exam must be written. There will be no supplemental exams this year, so if a student fails he must take that course again next year.

School queen nominations from each division have taken place. Nominated for queen are Diane MacDonald, Georgina Service, Lee MacDonald, Diana Hopkins, Royleen Nygren, Vicki Lee Franski and Wendy Wilson.

Nominations for princess are Karen Drew, Donna Abrams, Mary Scott, Kathy Beamish, Carol Procknow, and Sandra Clarke.

There was the shoe clerk who opened up one box after another for his women customer until there was only one left on the shelf. The customer remarked; "I don't really want to buy today. I was looking for a friend."

"Well," said the clerk, "I'll take down the last one if you think he is in it."

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Alternate plans

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the 1964 I. E. room would become the electrical shop and the present basement shop would be closed.

The advantages of this plan favored by Potter are that it provides a separate area for the occupational classes except for some advanced I.E. work, provides needed increased library space, provides four additional classrooms, provides facilities for power mechanics as well as for the new I.E. courses to be introduced in grades 11 and 12, puts vocational classes in a separate area and does not encroach on the playground area.

PLAN 2.

This would be to add additional classrooms and a library to the east side of the school. This plan would give additional classroom space, but would not improve I.E. facilities. It would put the library at the extreme end of the school and separate classrooms.

Plan 3 would contruct a senior secondary school on the present school property, leaving the present building as a junior secondary. This would mean a duplication of I.E., H.E. and commerce facilities.

Plan 4 would construct a junior secondary school in the Sechelt area. This would also mean duplication of expensive equipment and there is some question as to adequate enrollment to provide vocational options.

Plan 5 would construct a technical (vocational) senior secondary school in the Sechelt area. This would draw off some of the vocational streams from Elphinstone. Federal assistance might be available through the Department of Indian Affairs.

Pemmican, a very high quality concentrated food made by Indians from dried buffalo meat mixed with fat, was used extensively by European explorers, particularly in the Arctic where it could be kept indefinitely.

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Doctor

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our long range plans."

Committee chairman, Mrs. K. E. Jermain replied to the Clinic's letter on Feb. 23, stating, "at the time you were having so much difficulty in finding a doctor to join your Clinic and reside in the Harbour, we did contact the B.C. College of Physcians and Surgeons, with the thought that a doctor might be willing to start a private practice here, but not be willing to join your Clinic.

"Since you did obtain a doctor to reside in the Harbour, we have done nothing in the matter. This is because the terms of reference of our Committee direct our efforts to doing what is necessary to prevent the closure of St. Mary's hospital.

"We feel that the responsibility for the practice of medicine in this area has been assumed by your group, by the fact that all difficulty you are having in obtaining new men to replace the doctors who have left your group, we feel that the responsibility of providing medical care is yours and yours alone, and you will have to discharge it as best you can."

Paetku's reply to this was, "Doctors, like any other citizens of this country are free to live and work where they feel they are appreciated and are happy with their life in the community. Like any other citizens, they are free to move from an area where they do not ftel these pre-requisites. exist. Therefore, our group reserves the right to withdraw from any area we serve, whether Gibsons, Sechelt or Pender Harbour, if the members of the group so desire. As we have been informed that the majority of the people do not wish our services in the area, we certainly do not assume responsibility to provide permanent care.

"At the present time we have no plans for early withdrawal from the Harbour area, but you must understand that we reserve the right to do so."

Copies of these letters were sent by both parties to John Dunlop, chairman Pender Harbour Board of Trade and to the Canadian Medical association. This later turned the correspendence over to the B.C. College of Physicians and Surgeons.

REREAD CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee wrote to the Medical clinic suggesting they reread their correspondence. "It was you that suggested withdrawal of your services from this area: vide, your letter of Feb. 13th, they said.

Then in September 1963, the Pender Harbour Hospital committee made three specific charges against the medical services in this area, which they blamed upon the fact that the nearest doctor available was 32 miles distant at Sechelt. No doctor's name was mentioned in the letter which went to the College of Physicians and Surgeons with carbon copies to Hon. Eric Martin, Dr. R. A. Swan and St. Mary's hospital society.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons replied immediately lthat it understood Dr. H. V. Morris was located at Garden Bay and it is utterly impossible and unreasonable to expect a medical man to be available 24 hours a day.

The Committee replied to the College of Physician and Surgeons that there was no criticism of Dr. Morris in any way, but we do criticize the arrangement of the Medical clinic in Sechelt . . . in leaving only one doctor resident in this large area. . .It is our opinion, from past experience, that one resident doctor connot possibly serve this area and the hospital.

They pointed out regular clinics in Egmont and Vancouver Bay had been discontinued despite the growth in population and a greater need. They also complained of the loss of personal contact between doctor and patient that is so necessary for adequate medical advice because no longer does one know which of Dr. Swan's group is going to attend a call.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons suggested the Committee make the best arrangement possible with the medical group in Sechelt. Otherwise, it might be without medical services. It was pointed out it is difficult to pursuade a young doctor to locate in the area when much better opportunities exist in larger centers in this province.

Final letter in the file is dated Jan. 15. 1964 from Drs. Swan and Burtnick to the Committee advising them of Dr. Morris' resignation and stating "one of the major reasons for his resigantion has been the hostility of your Committee to the doctors presently residing in the area. Shortly after Dr. Morris arrived he was informed by members of your group that he would be socially and medically boycotted if he continued his association with the Medical clinic."

They suggested the Committee make a sufficiently attractive offer to encourage a doctor to take up an independent practice in the area. "Should there be an interval between Dr. Morris leaving and another doctor arriving as seems likely, we will provide coverage and part time office service at Madeira Park. One of the doctors in the Sechelt area will be avilable for urgent calls at any other time."

The Committee replied to this stating there has been no hostility towards Dr. Morris or any other doctors in this area on the part of this Committee, nor has there been any talk of boycott, either social or medical. The letter was signed by Mrs. K. E. Jermian, A. A. Lloyd, E. Smith and E. B. Clarke.

First arrivals

THE FIRST four to arrive in Gibsons were L. to R. John Charman 2 hrs. 40 mins., Mike Eyerley and Walter John 2 hrs. 47 mins., Allan Cooper 3 hrs.

Just made it

ERIC Veale and Dal Crosby made it, with a little help

First girl home

FIRST GIRL to finish, Edna Naylor standing with her certificate.

First Walkathon for Peninsula

MR. LES Peterson and Mr. Yablonski headed the Walkathon sponsored by the Gibsons Recreation Committee this Sunday.

There were 90 youngsters who turned out to Hackett Park in Sechelt to start the walk to the Municipal Grounds in Gibsons 15 miles away.

There were only seven of the starters drop out with 83 finishing the journey in some very good times. Guitars and Ukeleles and Transistor Radios were the only excess baggage carried along and a good time was had by all.

Certificates were awarded to the finishers and Hot Dogs and pop were donated by the Gibsons Rec. Comm. The Walkathon was well appreciated and a tentative hike is being planned for the future.

Davis' Ottawa Diary

By Jack Davis, M.P.

PRIME MINISTER Pearson took the initiative in the recent Federal-Provincial Conference in Quebec City. He suggested that certain joint programs—that is, programs financied jointly by Ottawa and the provinces—might be discontinued. Others, he thought, might be streamlined considerably. This would avoid the Federal Government having to raise a great deal of money which it merely turned over to the provinces to spend as if it were their own.

These arrangements — some 66 of them—have grown up over many decades. Varying widely in their nature they now cost the Canadian taxpayer roughly $900 million a year. The biggest, hospital insurance, accounts for $420 million. Next comes unemployment assistance at $110 million, followed by pensions for the blind and disabled.

Some apply to one province, some to two, and some to a majority and some are nationwide in their coverage. In a few cases the provinces put up 20% of the money. In others their share may be as high as 80%. Included are provisions for the abolition of railway grade crossings, assistance in respect to some agricultural products and subsidies for amateur sport.

Premier Lesage of Quebec would go even further than Mr. Pearson. He would have his province drop out of the cost-shared programs altogether. In compensation, he said, it should be able to move in on personal income tax—a field which he believes the Federal Government should vacate in any case. The other provinces were less interested in "contracting out". However they did object to all the red tape involved. In effect they were saying that Ottawa had attached too many strings to its cost-sharing grants. What they wanted were a few large lump sum payments in their stead. These they could then administer more or less as they saw fit.

Most people will agree, I think, that some of these programs have outlived their usefulness. They can be done away with. Sound administration also suggests that the spending and tax gathering together in this way will make for more responsible government. Those who have to ask people for funds will undoubtedly spend them more wisely.

To the extent that future Federal - Provincial Conferences help to clear up these responsibilities—to the extent that they put the taxing powers in the hands of those levels of government responsible for their expenditure—they will undoubtedly contribute to the more efficient administration of public affairs in this country. By making our complex financial arrangements more understandable they will also, I believe, contribute towards national unity.

Ladies auxiliary members increase

LADIES Auxiliary to Sechelt Legion Branch No. 140, report the members have knitted and sent seven pairs of socks to be distributed through the out-patient department of Shaughnessy Hospital to elderly veterans.

For use of wheel chair patients, in the hospital, two lap rugs were made. The auxiliary has provided seven new banquet tables for the legion hall, and are now busy making table cloths to fit these. A new standard incorporating name and branch number has been bought. In April three new members were initiated.

Fourteen members attended the luncheon sponsored by the Gibsons auxiliary for all auxiliary members on the peninsula.

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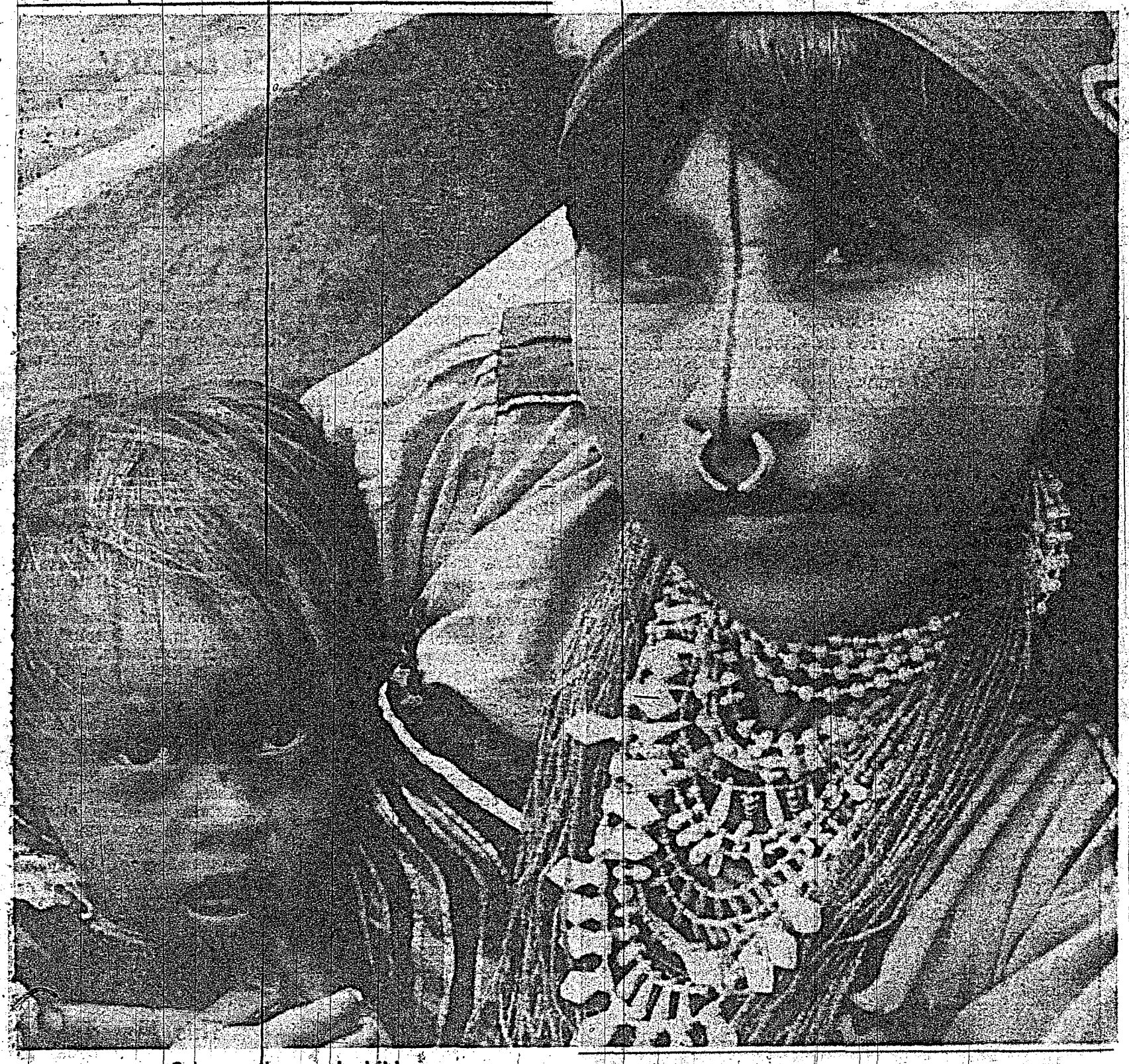

Cuna mother and child

Views Foreign

—Travel feature by Ray Grigg

THIS IS A photographic and literary portrait of a particular people. It may be said that they are unique, for relative to our Canadian standards, both their lives and their persons are startlingly different.

They bear in common with us only the most fundamental of human characteristics. The women bear and rear children, manage a household and labour over fires. The men hunt and fish, build houses and boats and are casually employed in the producting and exporting of a particular fruit. The children are quite simply children. They love to swim, play in boats and pretend with toys and dolls. But the atmosphere surrounding their lives is nearly beyond the dreams of a child.

The homes of these people are in no way similar to even the most rural of farm houses and unimaginably divorced from the residences that populate suburbia.

Electricity, plumbing, bathrooms, linoleum floors; in brief all the conveniences and luxuries that permeate this country are unavailable to them. Yet, despite these apparent deprivations, they flourish socially and materially, leading an existence that some adventurous folks might even envy—well, possibly for ashort time.

If Mr. Webster is consulted for the definition of the term "Cuna," he will assert in his silent but authorative correct silent authorative manner, "Credit Union National Association". Such may be entirely correct but it is not entirely complete. Along the north-east coast of Panama, snuggled along the fringe of the isolated Darien Province, are the San Blas Islands. These palm-capped coral outcroppings, scores in number, host the coconut plantations and the villages of the Cuna Indians.

The Archipelago of San Blas is isolated from the civilized regions of Panama by one hundred miles of impenetrable jungle. Commencing just beyond Point San Blas, the coral islands stretch along the tropical coast for many miles housing thousands of Indians and providing most of their sustenance and economy. Nearly all of the flat and sandy islands are covered with cultivated coconut plantations, the produce being sold or traded to small trading vessels that venture to the San Blas from Panama and Columbia And the Caribbean, calmed by the arch of islands and tinted to nearly every possible pastel colour yields an abundance of necessary sea food.

The majority of the tiny islands are uninhabited except during times of tree cultivation and during the gathering of the coconuts. Sometimes a fisherman or an occasional traveler pauses in transit on one of the islets but the masses of Indians are concentrated in villages that overflow with stilted houses and platforms the shores of their terra firma. Places such as Mutupu, Ustupu, Mamitupu, Mamimulu and Mansukum are concentrations of even narrow walkways. Winding paths of pulverized shell or sand, foot-padded to a concrete hardness, force their way among the shelters.

THATCHED HOUSES

Each house is of nearly the same constructon and size. Trees brought by cayuka from the nearby jungles are tied by vines into frames about fifteen feet wide, thirty feet long and fifteen feet high. The high pitched roof, elaborately supported by triangular stresses, is thickly covered by palm fronds, each section being secured to the framework in a particular manner in order to most efficiently shed water. are fashioned from branches and sticks again lashed together by vines. The vertical positioning of these pieces leave long open slits that are often covered with palm frond more for the function of eliminating draught than keeping the dwelling warm.

The side walls posses no widows or openings but each end of the builting boasts a low entrance with a high still that requires one to both step and stoop similtaneously in order to gain access.

Inside it is dark. The floor is earth, trampled hard by the pounding of bare feet. A randomly placed ring of stones or a slight depression marks the location of the cooking fire whose smoke must filter through the roof or eaves to escape. Balanced atop the stones or judiciously placed upon the burning wood is generally a large iron pot containing a fish stew or soup, the components of which are usually an entire fish, bananas or plantans, coconut milk, yuca roots and rice. With equal frequency one sees whole fish supported on stick platforms being smoked over the open fire. Household utensils are nearby: a long handled wooden sadel fashioned out of mahogany or black palm; a wooden beater which must be rolled in the handsin order to make it perform; several small bowls hollowed out of hardwood as well as others made from coconut or calabash shells.

No beds or mats decorate the single large room. Only hammocks that are hung between the supporting beams attest to the sleeping accommodations. Other miscellaneous items fill the hut, complementing this primitive domesticity. Stools hewn from large blocks of wood vaguely resemble a plump turtle or some jungle animal. A crude but remarkably efficient weaving device may decorate the wall it is husked coconuts, fish traps and spears and lines; these things are the components of the Cuna household.

Here in the thatched houses, on the islands, along the jungle coast, within the breaders that protest thunderingly on the outer reefs, the Cuna lives. Their cayukas ply waters that seem to rival the air for charity and the rainbow for color. They even venture onto the open sea, sail confidently near breakers and through swells that lift them breath-taking to heights and then plunge them deeply into acquatic crevasses. Up the tropical rivers they paddle in quest of jungle foods and fresh water. Their domain seems bounded only by the distance a hunting party can travel in several weeks of wandering and by the range of a dugout canoe equipped with strong paddles and an amazingly efficient gaff sail fashioned from flour sacks and rags.

To the San Blas visitor, the character difference between the male and female Cuna is quite startling. It is misleading to suggest that the male member of the tribe are not both interesting and colorful, but such attributes are relative and while in proximity to their mates they acquire a quality that, by comparison, is best identified as casual. The female is the extremist. She is arrogent, vain, confident, independent, assertive, persisent and admirable. She possesses an individuality that is fostered in childhood, cultivated youth and matured in adulthood. Her costume is unique, her adornment not inspired by Revelon and her nature not sanctioned by Dale Carnagie.

The personality of the male and female Cuna is sharply differentiated in childhood. Dark-skinned boys, generally naked with the exception of a string of beads or shells about their necks, are frequently seen playing in cayukas or, as often, seen fishing from these dug-outs. They behave with an informality whether at leisure or engaged in some chore. The girls manifest a difference in character even at this early age. They conduct themselves less casually. in a manner that reflects responsibility, definition of goal and personal reservation. Their activities suggest a busyness as well as a businessness. And unlike their counterparts, they dress elaborately and are never seen

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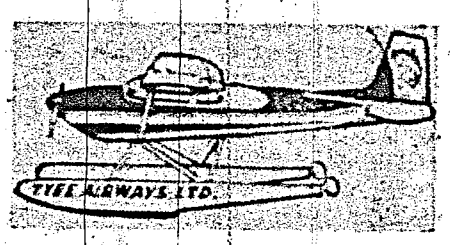

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—By Ray Nestman

WHILE OUT PUB crawling last week, was amused to find that the only difference between the Pubs on the lower end of the Peninsula and the upper end is the fact that down here they talk about all the logs they manage to fall and haul during week, in the Pubs on the other end they talk about the number of booms they have towed this week and the horsepower of the various tugs. I wonder what they talk about when they are working, could it be the amount of beer they have drank over the week end or could it be a list of all their accomplishments as men of the world?

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Was at a meeting the other night and was most amused at the man sitting next to me. It appears he mistook me for a police officer and I found it was great fun playing with him. Some of the questions I was asked were enough to keep me out of any police force. Really fellow officers you have my sympathy.

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Have you a friend like this? Let me tell you about my friend Otis. Otis is the kind of guy, who, to him every conversation is a duel to the death and Otis has got to win. Ask Otis what time it is and you will not only get the time but the information that the Bureau of Standards calls him every day at noon to check their time signals in Washington, because Otis' watch is the most accurate ever made.

When you have a cold, he has influenza. If you have influenza Otis has pneumonia. Is your boss a nice guy? Otis' is a saint. If you have a friend like this, drop him, because you can never win.

EYE GLASSES

Don't forget, if you have any old eye-glasses around your house there is someone who can use them and if they are of no further use to you, they might as well be put to some good use. Contact any Lions member and they will be glad to pick them up and see that they are sent to those who could use them. In Gibsons contact John Harvey or Jock Pettie and in Sechelt contact any of the Lions members.

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GOOD FISHING

Fishing seems to be pretty good these days. Reports from the Pender Harbour area show that there are many fish coming in, both fresh and salt water. Ole's Cove reports that there seems to be a new run of Bluebacks in and around the Cove with quite a few being caught these past two weeks. Smitty's in Gibsons report fishing is very poor and they seem to feel that it is due to the sunken oil barge which is still leaving deposits of oil around the territory. Bill May in Porpoise Bay reports a heavy run of Bluebacks in Porpoise Bay and also a few big springs averaging 20 to 25 lbs, so get out there and get yours. Stone's Boat Rentals in Secret Cove reports a few Bluebacks being caught in that area, averaging from three to four lbs.

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Did you hear the one about the Chinese dignitary who was invited to a banquet in the United States? Well it seems the American who was seated beside him was taking great pains to be agreeable to the Chinese gentleman. After the first course, he smiled and said, "Likee Fishee?" The Oriental made no reply, but responded with a friendly smile. After the next course, he asked, "Likee Soupee?" Again the Chinese beamed genially. Later in the evening the Chinese rose and delivered a speech in flawless English. Returning to his seat, he smiled at his neighbour and asked, "Likee Speechee?"

ALL SEASON OPENING

I see the boys are all out now practising for their baseball season, which is just around the corner. Hats off to the men who take the time to coach and manage these boys. A great amount of work goes into training these boys and anyone who will give of their time the way these men do deserves a medal.

Now let's see some parents out to support these games. The parential attitude up to this point has been absolutely shameful. If these men can spend all their time looking after the boys, the least the parents could do is get out and support them.

HACKETT PARK

I see where one of our Village Fathers along with his wife was over at Hackett Park the other day. He was complaining about the shape the field was in. What with a few boards broken and some of the backstop ripped, he was giving one of the coaches the going over, about how the kids wreck things and how much it costs the village to keep the park in shape. He said it costs $90. a year to keep it up. If that doesn't take the cake I don't know what would. The park was donated to the village in the first place and the clearing was done by community minded people from other communities other than Sechelt. It's just too darn bad that they should have to spend $90. a year to keep it up. They have $50,000. worth of choice property and they should kick about spending $90. a year. It's high time we replaced some of the oldtimers with someone a little less ridgity.

THOT OF THE WEAK

Many a husband comes home after work with fond hope that the kitchen stove will be as warm as the TV set.

Selma Park social notes

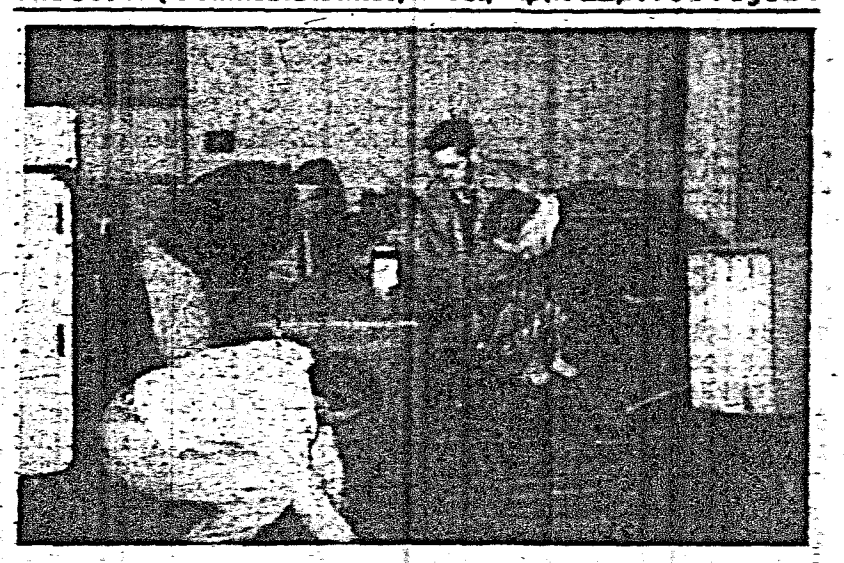
MISS A. DeLange is occupying the summer home of Mary Cooper in Selma Park, while she is supervising the construction of her own home on the sea front at Mission Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Edric Clayton, West Sechelt, had a film showing of their trip abroad, for the pleasure of a group of friends, among those present were Mrs. F. French, Sechelt; Mrs. M. Slater, Davis Bay; and from Selma Park Mrs. W. D. Gilbert and Mr. and Mrs. F. Yates. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Green of Vancouver were also there. They will be remembered as the former owners of the Wilson Creek Garage.

Mrs. A. A. French was honoree of a surprise birthday dinner party, given by her friends Mesdames G. McMillan, M. Scott, S. Rhodes, G. Armour, E. Smith and Pearl Mackenzie.

Mrs. Mary Marcroft and Mrs. F. French were jointly honored by a birthday party given by Mesdames Jack Nelson, F. Walker, T. Ivan Smith, Louis Hansen, Helen Johnston, Olive Porte and Ruby Breeze.

Mr. Bert Macey, retired owner of Macey's Sales Ltd. has taken up residence at Welcome Beach. He is the only Canadian Member of the WOFC (World Organization of Food Chains). He has just left with his wife for a two week convention to be held in Coranada, California.



Work bee

SECHELT Kinsmen refinish furniutre for White Elephant Sale.

Kinsmen hold work bee

SECHELT Kinsmen held a work bee in the B.A. building in Sechelt in preparation for their White Elephant Sale to be held in front of the Hospital Cottage in Sechelt on Sat., May 9th at 2 p.m.

Proceeds of this sale will go towards finishing a second up patient lounge in the new St. Marys Hospital.

The Sechelt Kinsmen have donated enough money to furnish one lounge already and hope they will have a good turnout to this sale which will enable them to furnish the second.

If anyone who has any White Elephants in the attic or in the shed that they would like to get rid of, please call Mr. Morgan Thompson at 885-9330 or Mr. Ralph Stephanson at 885-2192.

The Bald Eagle now protected

THE Bald Eagle, also known as the American Eagle, and sometimes erroneously called the Bald Headed Eagle is fast declining, and in some districts has been practically eliminated. On this Peninsula there are quite a number of these birds, to be seen soaring the blue. When it cimes within range it is usually the target for every gun in sight.

In British Columbia however it is now protected by law, as it performs more good than harm. The adult eagle with its conspicuous white head, neck and tail is too distinctive to be mistaken. The juvenile bird whose head does not become white until about four years, can easily be mistaken for the Golden Eagle, except that it does not show a white spot at base of the primaries on the spread wing. Their nest consists of large sticks usually in tops of tall isolated trees.

Very little is known, however, about their habits and movements. Where do these eagles move off to and why? Is there a regular migration of them or do they just randomly move about? Do their feeding habits vary significantly with the season and place? These are some of the questions which remain unanswered.

Any person who is interested in these birds is asked to send in their observations to Mr. David Hancock, Dept. of Zoology, University of British Columbia.

The Canadian bird is the Northern Bald Eagle, distinguished from its southern subspecies by slightly larger size.

This bird was chosen as the symbol of the American Republic despite the doubts of Benjamin Franklin, who preferred that the wild turkey be nominated for this position.

Gibsons plan big celebration

THE Gibson 1st of July Committee held a meeting Wednesday April 15 at the Kinsmen Clubhouse in Gibsons. Charlie Mandelkau was elected president for another year. They plan to have the biggest ever celebrations with many and varied events to keep the folks busy for the full day.

Among the plans are a Salmon Derby which is always well attended and looked forward to by all the avid fishermen in the area, as well as the amateurs who have an opportunity to win themselves a prize.

The whole day of Soap Box racing, Horseshoe Pitching and bingo, will be started off by the biggest parade Gibsons has yet seen. There has been great interest shown by the businessmen of the entire Peninsula to enter a float in the parade and it is hoped that they will have close to 50 entrants this year. Mark your calendar for this date and don't forget it as it is sure to be a "Really Big Day".

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publicly without at least some attire.

The famale receives the identifiying and individualizing nose ring and nose line at no precise chronological age. One may see a child of only three or four decorated in this manner while others who are much older have not yet received the finery. Much the same is applicable to the custom of hair cutting. Girls possess unclipped tresses that fall about their shoulders while the women, both young and old, have their oriental black hair trimmed short at ear level. The significance of this is not certain but since the female falls victim to six ceremonies during the course of her life: birth, tribal initiation, puberty, marriage, childbirth and death, it is possible that the trimmed hair indicates puberty or marriage. It follows then, that the nose ring and line would probably indicate the formal completion of tribal acceptance.

This is the person that is formed and persists in the Cuna women of all ages. And without disrespect to the male segment of the culture, it is this character that is most striking. By the time the girls have reached a maturity, they bear an arrogance and a hautiness that one might initially find annoying. Their relationship with those exterior to the tribe is cool, terse and business like especially when negotiating a trade or barter with the few ships that come to the islands. In this atmosphere they are resolute & persistant. And despite the language barrier (they possess their own tongue and speak little Spanish and rarely English) they make their demands unmistakeably evident.

Employees of the government of Canada, including its corporations and agencies, numbered 334,028 at the end of December, 1963, and payroll for the month of December was $137,693,000

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April 25—Hon. Eric Martin speaking at Danny's Dining Room, 6 p.m.
April 27—R.N. ABC Alumni Meeting, Fort Mellon, home of Mrs. Dowd, 8 p.m.
April 28—Pender Harbour May Day Committee, Legion Hall.

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April 19-25 . . .

Yourh temperence education week

APRIL 19-25 is Youth Temperence education week. This is a good time to outline the effects and dangers of alcohol and the reasons for its usage. Alcohol is used by many people for different reasons. To some it is a form of artificial courage and an escape from reality; to others it is a means of relieving boredom and to some groups, psychologists find, drinking brings recognition and prestige. Many people drift into alcoholism from social drinking.

Alcohol enters the blood stream within two minutes of imbiding and the first effects occur in the cortex of the brain. This slows reflexes, since the reaction time for muscular activity is increased. Loss of judgement, will power and self control are early effects of alcohol, which no doubt accounts for so many car acidents even after a few drinks.

As the effects progress through the brain, the eyes become involved—and blurred vision, double vision and lack of ability to judge distance occurs. As the effect of alochol spreads to the cerebellum, muscle co-ordination becomes slower and the victim becomes dizzy and walks with a clumsy, staggering gait. Speech becomes thick and slurred as the muscles of the tounge are involved.

Alocholism is the result of progressive adjustment of the body to the presence of alocohol. The body chemistry actually becomes dependent upon alcohol which causes major damage to the body organs. Gastriris or acute indigestion is caused by the use of alcohol, as is liver and kidney damage, degeneration of the heart muscle, hardening of the arteries and cancer of the esophogus.

Aside from damage to the health of the individual, alcoholism is the root of much of our crime and accident rate, not to mention neglected families. Rev. D. H. Russel, president of the Association Temperance Forces of Alberta states, "Drinking is a losing business. Sometimes you land in jail. It often leads to loss of money, health and home. Alcohol is a narcotic and has an anaesthetic effect.

"A drink or two dulls the conscience, impairs judgement, breaks down inhibitions, opens the way to immoderation, makes it easier to take the second drink.

"It's too risky—one in nine who takes the first drink becomes an alcoholic and there's no way to tell which one it will be.

"The moderate drinker should know alcohol is a factor in 20 percent of American divorces, 25 percent of current insanity, 37 percent of present poverty, 47 percent of child misery, 29 percent of all crime and 25 to 40 percent of all fatal car accidents."

The beginnings of alcoholism are rooted in the individual's personality development. Some people, when faced with business, personal or family worries, find relief and escape through alcohol from their inner feelings of discomfort and tension. But this escape can only be temporary since the problem which gave rise to the emotional discomfort remain. Slowly, over the years, and without realizing it, the person becomes more and more dependent on alcohol to relitve the tensions within him. But drink onlf adds to his problems.

The personality patterns for alcoholism are laid in childhood. When a child does not learn to face reality or make decisions, in adulthood he uses alcohol as a crutch to keep up his courage or minimize his problems. So it is important in childhood to establish habits of industry, courage and self reliance.

The habits you form in youth, my lad,
Will grow with your growth till at last,
Whether good or ill, they form a chain
That will hold you fast.
For habits are but growth, my lad,
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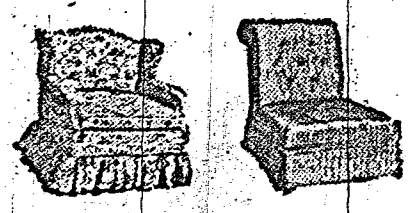
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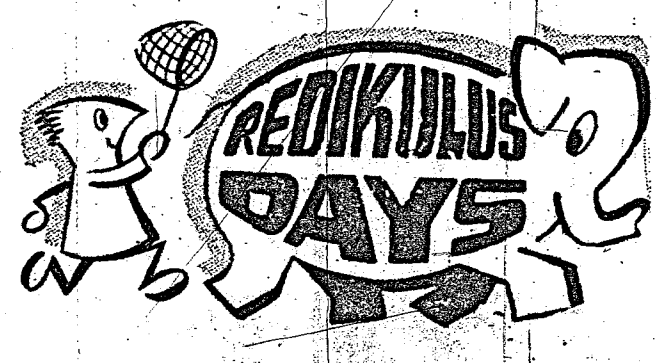

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